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AMENDMENT A

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This Response responds to the Office Action mailed December 5, 2006.

An automatic three month extension of time, up to and including June 5, 2007, is respectfully requested. The requisite fee accompanies this Amendment.

Please amend the application as follows:

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